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Photos by Senior Airman Kenny Kennemer and Senior Airman Melanie Bobair

Right, Senior Airman Christopher Konicek, 57th Aircraft Generation Squadron, straps Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Michael Ryan into his F-16 prior to launch during Red Flag Nov. 9. Above, Gen. John Jumper, Air Combat Command commander, and Capt. Paul Villam, 19th Fighter Squadron, walk to their F-15D. The generals were here to observe Red Flag's integration of night flying, stealth aircraft and AEF concepts.



## 13 new chiefs on Nellis

### More than 14 percent of eligible senior master sergeants are promoted

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPC) — The Air Force released its list of the newest chief master sergeant selectees Wednesday.

The Air Force has selected 417 of 2,935 eligible senior master sergeants for promotion to chief master sergeant. This represents a selection rate of 14.2 percent, a decrease from last year's promotion rate of 17.58 percent.

"Multiple factors drive the chief master sergeant promotion percentage, including projected overall vacancies for the next year, and limitations on the number of chiefs who

can serve on active duty by law," said Air Force Personnel Center officials.

"The more vacancies that exist, the greater the number that can be promoted. The fewer vacancies, the fewer we can promote," center officials added.

The average selectee has 3.45 years time in grade and 21.34 years time in service. Those selected will be promoted to chief master sergeant throughout the 2001 calendar year.

The complete list of the new chief master sergeants is posted on the AFPC Web page at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil).

#### Chief Master Sergeant selection statistics

	Eligible	Selected	Percent
AF	2,935	417	14.20%
ACC	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nellis	58	12	20.69%
AWFC	2	1	50%
57th WG	28	6	21.42%
99th ABW	22	3	13.64%
Tenents	6	2	33.33%

### Congratulations to the following Nellis Chief selects

#### Air Warfare Center

Larry Gaer

#### 57th Wing

Clinton Bess Jr.

Nathan Dixon Jr.

Michael Guthrie

Edward Lundberg

Larry Jones

Garry Moore

James Wood

#### 99th Air Base Wing

Royce Barron

Darryl Garrett

Patrick Whalen

#### Tenent units

Jamie Borkert, 820th

RED HORSE

Vincent Davis, 820th

RED HORSE





# Vietnam hero John Levitow, 55, dies

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — Sgt. John L. Levitow, one of only 16 airmen awarded the Medal of Honor for exceptional heroism during wartime, died Nov. 8 at his home in Connecticut after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was 55.

Mr. Levitow, the lowest ranking airman to earn the medal, received the honor as a result of an inci-

dent Feb. 24, 1969. At that time, the airman first class served as loadmaster aboard a severely damaged AC-47 gunship flying a mission over Long Binh, South Vietnam.

Suffering from more than 40 shrapnel wounds in his back and legs caused by a mortar blast, he saw a smoking magnesium flare amid a jumble of spilled ammunition canisters. Despite loss of

blood and partial loss of feeling in his right leg, the 23-year-old threw himself on the flare, hugged it close, dragged himself toward an open cargo door and

hurled the flare out. Almost simultaneously, the flare ignited harmlessly outside the door and away from the munitions.

President Richard Nixon presented the Medal of Honor to Mr. Levitow

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**Excerpt from Mr. John Levitow's biography**

on Armed Forces Day, May 14, 1970, at the White House.

After Mr. Levitow left the Air Force, he worked in the field of veteran's affairs for more than 22 years. His most recent work was for Connecticut developing and designing veteran's programs.

Further details and funeral arrangements for a military burial at Arlington National Cemetery are pending.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Jason Tudor

***Mr. John L. Levitow examines the cockpit of the C-17 named for him, the Spirit of John L. Levitow, Jan. 23, 1998, in Long Beach, Calif. Mr. Levitow, one of only 16 airmen awarded the Medal of Honor for exceptional heroism during wartime, died Nov. 8.***

## Air Force announces testing window

The Air Force Weighted Airman's Promotion System testing windows for calendar year 2001 are:

### Cycle Testing Dates

- \* 01E6 technical sergeant Feb. 1 through March 15.
- \* 01E7 master sergeant Feb. 1 through March 15, 2001
- \* 01E5 staff sergeant April 1 through 30, 2001
- \* 02E8 senior master sergeant Nov. 1 through 10, 2001 (evaluation board meets Feb. 5-23, 2002)
- \* 01E9 chief master sergeant Sept. 4 through 7, 2001

Rescheduling is kept to an absolute minimum to ensure everyone can be

tested within the testing window.

Commanders should only approve new test dates if members have a valid reason for failing to report as scheduled.

Factors to consider when commanders make their decision should include:

- \* Whether member was properly notified of test date
- \* Whether absence was beyond member's control (e.g., hospitalization, illness, emergency leave, short-notice TDY, hazardous travel conditions).
- \* Whether member attempted to notify the commander, WAPS monitor, or Military Personnel Flight prior to testing appointment to reschedule.

The following reasons should not be

considered favorably:

- \* Oversleeping
- \* Time or date recorded on calendar incorrectly
- \* Reporting to wrong building
- \* Reporting late

Individuals who depart for a TDY during the testing window must test prior to their departure. Commanders support staffs and base testing offices must work closely together to ensure compliance with Air Force Instruction 36-2605, Para A9.10, Air Force Military Testing Program.

For more information, members should call their unit orderly rooms.

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# Wings earn Air Force unit award

By Tech. Sgt. Gayle Barajas  
AWFC Public Affairs

Two of the Air Warfare Center's wings have once again proven how valuable their roles are to the Air Force and the world.

99th Air Base Wing and 53d Wing were awarded the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for service spanning from June 1998 to May 31, 2000.

The 53d Wing, which is located at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., functions as the focal point for the combat air forces in electronic warfare, armament and avionics, chemical defense, reconnaissance and aircrew training devices. The wing supported contingency taskings deploying 114 people to Operation Northern Watch, Operation Southern Watch, Joint Guard, Operation Allied Force and Constant Vigil.

99th Air Base Wing played an important role as well, providing support to the Air Warfare Center, 57th Wing, 53d Wing and 20 tenant units. The wing oversees daily operations at Nellis, such as personnel, finance, civil engineering and supply. 99th ABW set the standard for the Department of Defense

urban growth encroachment resolution. 99th ABW hosted the Air Force's Fit, Form, Function and Follow-on test of a 114-bed air transportable hospital that critically evaluated the air expeditionary forces medical specialty sets.

The 99th ABW also obtained funding for a \$325,000 warehouse renovation project to support the basing of F-22s at Nellis.

Both wings demonstrated outstanding leadership and contributed to the Air Force's success, according to Maj. Gen. L.D. Johnston, AWFC commander.

"Air Warfare Center people have accomplished many amazing feats recently," said Gen. Johnston. The 53d Wing has performed numerous diverse testing, training, and operational evaluations on every fighter, bomber, and weapon currently in the USAF inventory.

"The 99th Wing has ensured flight operations at Nellis, including a complicated land swap with local land owners, and congressional and civic leaders, plus they improved many of our facilities and services across the base," said Gen. Johnston. "Their efforts were spectacular - my hat is off to them!"

## Officers get enhanced preference worksheet

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPC) - Officers and their commanders have more choices in the assignment process since an enhanced preference worksheet hit the field Nov. 1.

The preference worksheet, available through the Air Force assignment system, is the key document used by officers and their commanders to state preferences and recommendations for an officer's next assignment.

"Although the layout of the worksheet has changed, the spirit and intent remain the same," said Lt. Col. Mike Gamble, chief, Assignment Programs/Procedures Division. "We still want officers to use their worksheet as a tool for strategic planning, not as a last-minute reaction to being notified they're vulnerable for an assignment."

The new worksheet includes three more slots to list duty preferences and five more slots for location preferences.

The increase in duty preference slots comes from the addition of a 'career broadening preference section'. "For officers in many career fields, working outside of their Air Force specialty code is not a matter of 'if,' but a matter of 'when,'" Gamble said.

The new career broadening section offers officers an area to identify their preferences and the drop down menus list all of the career broadening AFSCs, and is very helpful to those who are not as well versed on all of the opportunities out there, according to Gamble.

Creating separate sections for listing stateside and overseas locations increases the total number of location preferences from five to ten.

Worksheets are used to match officers to assignments based on the needs of the Air Force,

officer professional development and an officer's personal preferences. Recommendations made should fully consider each officer's stage of professional development, while clearly expressing an officer's needs and desires.

"I'd recommend that an officer try to get with his or her commander sometime around the one-year-on-station point, discuss officer professional development and follow up with a worksheet," Gamble said. "If that worksheet is well-crafted and strategic in nature, it should require few, if any, changes when the officer actually becomes vulnerable for reassignment."

"Individuals wishing to complete a preference worksheet must use the enhanced format," Gamble said. "In addition, individuals wishing to make changes to a worksheet they already have in the system, must re-accomplish the form. If an old form was on record with AFPC, the data will still be available in a read-only format until an enhanced format worksheet is completed. If an officer's old form accurately reflects their desires, they are not required to re-accomplish the form. We do however, encourage all officers to update their worksheet to the enhanced format as soon as is practical to take full advantage of the additional choices now available."

These enhancements are a result of recommendations from a broad range of officers participating in the Air Force assignment system review held here in February.

For more information on the Air Force assignment system or the preference worksheet, visit: <http://afas.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afas/afas-main1.htm> or call Capt. Michael Ortiz at 652-9223.

## Nellis Salutes

**Congratulations to the following base-level quarterly award winners:**

### Airman

Airman 1st Class  
Sarah Harrison

99th Medical Operations Squadron

### NCO

Tech. Sgt. Daniel Sanders

57th Aircraft Generation Squadron

### Senior NCO

Master Sgt. Vernon Boardley  
820th Red Horse Squadron

### Officer

1st Lt. Richard Flamand II  
372nd Training Squadron, Det 13

### Honor Guard Member

Airman 1st Class Mathew Kurian  
99th Supply Squadron

### Civilian Category I

Ms. Jacquelyn Hayes  
USAF Weapons School

### Civilian Category II

Mr. Terry Prucha  
414th Combat Training Squadron

### Civilian Category III

Mr. Willie Chaisson  
99th Supply Squadron



File photo

## CFC goal standings

**Nellis is fairing well going into the final week of Combined Federal Campaign 2000. The campaign runs through Tuesday. To pledge, contact unit representatives.**

	Goal	Collected	Percent of goal
AWFC	\$5,460	<b>\$8,966</b>	164
57th Wing	\$83,920	<b>\$64,041</b>	76
99th ABW	\$87,095	<b>\$69,975</b>	80
Tenant units	\$23,340	<b>\$22,166</b>	95
Others	\$25,185	<b>\$8,702</b>	35

**Editor's note: Information provided by Nellis CFC 2000 coordinator, Capt. Lisa Woffinden.**





## Action Line

[commander.action@nellis.af.mil](mailto:commander.action@nellis.af.mil)

**652-4636**



**Col. Del Eulberg 99th Air Base Wing commander**

Nellis' Action Line is your direct line to the 99th Air Base Wing commander, Col. Del Eulberg. If you have worked through normal channels and are not satisfied

with the answer, the Action Line is your opportunity to ask questions or make suggestions about the subjects of concern to the Nellis community.

Please leave your name and phone number in case more specific information is required. You may also use our e-mail at: [commander.action@nellis.af.mil](mailto:commander.action@nellis.af.mil). Action Lines of general interest will be published in the Bullseye; others will be answered by phone. Remember, the quickest and most efficient way to solve a problem is to talk directly to the office that is responsible. This gives them a chance to help you and perhaps improve the process.

### Helpful phone numbers

BX Customer Service - 644-2044

Commissary - 643-7919

Child Development Center I - 652-4241

Child Development Center II - 652-5885

# Will Youth Center expand hours?



My question is in regards to the Youth Center. I asked the Youth Center why it wasn't open from morning to evening and only opened after school. In Las Vegas we have several schools that are 12-month schools, all on different tracks. There are children that go to school off-base and need child care throughout the day. The way that it is set up now is that the kids can only go in the summer when the majority of off-base children are no longer in school. I would like to know if there is any way the Youth Center could be set up to accommodate the people living off base?



Thank you for your inquiry regarding providing school age track break child care for children enrolled in year-round elementary school programs. I will authorize another survey to deter-

mine if the need for "track break child care" has increased sufficiently to merit a revision of the present program; however, past surveys have not indicated a need sufficient to support the staff required to provide the program on an ongoing basis. Our facility has a maximum capacity of 120 children. These spaces are presently filled with children requiring traditional before and after school child care and holiday and summer camp during normal school holidays. There is also a waiting list of children desiring to enter the current program. Adding full day care for children who attend year-round schools would result in an overlap that would exceed our authorized capacity.

Before we initiate a new program to care for children during year-round school breaks, we must ensure that we have a sufficient need, as the program costs would significantly increase and the present service would be available to fewer children.

Meanwhile, there are several

childcare alternatives available. The licensed Family Child Care program here has several providers who provide this service. You can call the Family Child Care Office at 652-4400 for more information.

Park and Recreation Programs in the City of Las Vegas, the City of North Las Vegas, the City of Henderson, Boulder City, and Clark County all offer some "track break child care." Depending on where you reside, you may contact the Park and Recreation Program serving the area where your child attends school. Also, I have been informed that there is a safe-key child care program available in most of the Clark County School District year round schools. This program offers before and after school child care, as well as "track break child care" for students enrolled in schools in the county. You can call 455-8251 for more information. If you have further questions, feel free to call Mr. Will Pagan at 652-9307.



# Check holiday sanity before traveling

By Staff Sgt. J. Scott Drake  
*AWFC Safety*

The holidays – the smell of roasting turkey, the rivalries between football teams, spending time with family and friends – all these things probably come to mind when we think of Thanksgiving. And, for some of us, this time of year will also involve some travel. We've all done it – drive home from work, lose the uniform, grab the suitcase (that we so thoughtfully packed the night before) and head out on the highway to begin our journey to visit our families or friends. And we do

it after staying up late the night before and then working all day. This holiday season many of us will try to squeeze the equivalent of a week or longer trip into three or four days. We'll overextend ourselves in the sleep department and sadly, this sometimes results in tragedy. In our rush to arrive early, some won't arrive at all. If you will be heading out onto the highway this year, keep the following in mind:

- Stimulants are no substitute for sleep. Drinks containing caffeine, such as soda or coffee, can help you feel more alert; however, the effects last only a short time.

- Sleep is not voluntary. If you are drowsy, you can fall asleep and never even know it.
- You may think an open window or the radio will help keep you awake, however, these have no lasting effect on a person's ability to stay awake.
- Even the safest driver can become confused and use poor judgment when they are sleepy.
- Sleep is not like money. You can't save it up ahead of time and you can't borrow it.
- The average person needs seven or eight hours of sleep per night. If you go to bed late and wake up early to an alarm clock,

you are probably going into sleep "debt."

- If you are driving and your thoughts begin to wander, it is time to pull over and take a break or better yet, take a nap. You might be surprised how much a 30- or 45-minute nap can refresh you.
- When driving, take a break at least every three hours.

We owe it to ourselves and our loved ones to use good common sense and good judgment. By exercising a little personal risk management during the holiday rush, your next trip should not be your last one.

## Learn from a former president Successful strategies from the past make you a better leader

By Chief Master Sgt. Raymond Esquivel  
*57th Logistics Squadron*

The greatest challenges a leader faces today are defining vision, and attracting, keeping and motivating their workforce to achieve their personal best. In his book "Reagan on Leadership," Mr. James Strock lists key points leaders can learn to improve mission effectiveness and prepare for the future, anywhere from the White House to the flightline:

### **Lesson one**

The single most important role of a leader is to craft a clear vision. More than anything else, leaders build bridges that help us move from where we are to where

we want to be. At the heart of Reagan's vision were these five words: family, work, neighborhood, freedom, and peace. He mobilized people to accept and support his vision through superb communication skills and a series of compelling speeches. The following comments during his 1984 reelection campaign are a perfect example: "Ours is the land of the free because it's the home of the brave. America's future will always be strong. And our nation will be free." To achieve maximum force, a vision must be simple, easily remembered and consistent with the values and history of the group. If not regularly communicated or

supported, vision will die.

### **Lesson two**

President Reagan's whole management approach centered on these three simple concepts:

- 1) Identify what needs to be done.
- 2) Find the right individuals to do the job.
- 3) Give them the freedom to do it.

Avoid the pitfalls of micro-management. Don't hesitate to delegate. If anyone else can perform a task as well as you or better, then don't do it. Empowering others challenges people to do their best, and in the long run you achieve more.

### **Lesson three**

President Reagan dealt effectively with people because he kept the spotlight off himself. A

plaque on his desk in the Oval Office read, "There is no limit to what man can do or where he can go if he doesn't mind who gets the credit."

If your team is performing at a high level, you don't have to blow your own horn—your value will be obvious. Don't worry, you won't put yourself out of a job – except in an upward direction.

President Reagan once said, "The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things; he is the one who gets the people to do the greatest things." Add this philosophy to your "playbook" and improve your leadership effectiveness – you can't miss!



# Consider safety first

**By Tech. Sgt. Patricia Collins**  
**Air Warfare Center Public Affairs**

I had been a "back-seat motorcycle driver" for more than a decade and a half. So, when I got the chance to grab the keys and crank the throttle for myself, I jumped at it.

While pondering what kind of motorcycle I would buy, I signed up for the motorcycle safety course offered through the Air Warfare Center Safety Office.

This three-day course is held at the Cheyenne and Henderson campuses at Community College of Southern Nevada, and includes classroom study coupled with hands-on riding of motorcycles donated by various agencies and companies in Las Vegas. It's designed to teach safe riding techniques, both offensive and defensive. After successful completion of the course, riders are able to get their motorcycle endorsement through the Department of Motor Vehicles without being tested. Without the course completion card, people are not allowed to register or ride their motorcycles on or off base.

The first day of class I arrived with pen and paper in hand to learn all I needed to know

about riding a motorcycle. After all, I could drive a car and ride a bike. How hard could riding a motorcycle be? I figured it would be a piece of cake.

That was my first mistake – assuming that riding a motorcycle was anything like driving a car. While many of the skills are the same, there are some major differences. The protection of two tons of metal around the driver is missing. It's simply the motorcycle and the rider. The attention to detail required is excruciating. You have to watch the road, shift the gears and apply the brake practically all at the same time, while maintaining your balance on two wheels.

My second mistake was actually sitting on a CBR125 motorcycle thinking I could safely propel the thing through the motorcycle range. However, the instructors were thorough. They went over every single detail of what was to be done and how it would be done. Unfortunately, some people (as much as they want to) are not capable of riding a motorcycle.

Of the 11 people signed up for the course, I was the only one who dropped out, proving that most people can learn to safely ride a motorcycle. Ironi-



Photo by Staff Sgt. Russell Cooley

**2nd Lt. Alan Orlikoski from the 99th CS demonstrates safe riding procedures while riding his Honda Super Hawk.**

cally enough, it was one of the other beginner riders who scored the highest score on the evaluation – a perfect 100.

During the past year, there have been five reportable mishaps involving Nellis airmen injured while riding motorcycles. Throughout the Air Force eight people died last year in motorcycle accidents.

The good news is that last year was the best for motorcycle safety at Nellis. We have about 300 motorcycle riders. The motorcycle safety course is the first line of defense against injuries and accidents of this type.

So, before you grab the keys

to your friend's bike, make sure you have taken a motorcycle safety course. You'll learn good riding techniques, and you'll learn whether or not motorcycles are for you. They're not for me. Not everyone is capable of riding a motorcycle. You might be a natural. I am not.

So it was with a bruised and swollen ankle, bruised and swollen knee, as well as a bruised and battered ego, that I elected to not continue the course. After all, there are worse things than being a back-seat driver.

To sign up for the course, call Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Bark at 652-2938.





# Health benefits program provides opportunity to change coverage

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas - Each year, an open season is held for civilian employees to enroll or change their enrollment in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. This year's open season began Monday and runs through Dec. 11, with elections effective Jan 14.

"This is a good opportunity for civilian employees serviced by the Air Force Personnel Center benefits and entitlements service team to review their health care needs," said Christine Watkins, employee relations specialist.

"We strongly encourage employees to take an extra close look at their health plan this year because premiums for health maintenance organizations will increase an average of 8.5 percent, while the more traditional fee-for-

service plans will see an average increase of 10.9 percent. Also, there are a number of plans dropping out of the FEHB program or reducing their service areas.

Ms. Watkins further noted that most carriers change coverage and fees from year to year and benefits such as prescription drugs, dental services, co-payments, and co-insurance should be looked at carefully when making a decision.

To help in the decision-making process, FEHB open season guides, rates, and plan brochures are available on the BEST homepage at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST/fehb.htm](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST/fehb.htm).

Employees will make open season elections and changes by using the BEST automated web or phone system. Individuals electing self and fam-

ily coverage can do so by accessing the BEST web automated system anytime at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST\\_GRB/EBIS.htm](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST_GRB/EBIS.htm). Employees electing self and family coverage using the telephone-automated system or requiring counselor assistance can call 1-800-997-2378, during BEST's normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Central Standard Time.

"We encourage employees to use the web system because employees electing self and family coverage can complete their FEHB transactions via the web without the assistance of a benefits counselor," said Ms. Watkins. "The phone system will automatically transfer employees to a benefits counselor to provide the dependent information.

## Education grant program

The Air Force Aid Society awarded \$7.5 million in education grants last year to 5,000 college students. The grant program, named in honor of General Henry "Hap" Arnold, was initiated by the society's trustees in 1988 in response to the rising cost of higher education.

The society awards \$1,500 grants to sons and daughters of active-duty, retired, or deceased Air Force members, spouses of active-duty members stationed stateside and widows of deceased members, retired Reservists regardless of whether or not they are receiving retired pay, Title 10 AGR/Reservists on extended active duty and Title 32 ANG performing fulltime active duty.

Last year 36 college-bound students from Nellis each received \$1,500 to help pay for their education. These young men and women had one thing in common other than their Air Force ties. They completed an Air Force Aid Society application for an education grant. Of course not everyone who applied received a grant, but 61 percent did. And for the next academic year, the society hopes to award a minimum of 5,000 grants.

Applications for the Air Force Aid Society's 2001/2002 Education Grant Program may be obtained at the Family Support Center. For more information, call 652-3327.

**Editor's note: Information provided by the Family Support Center.**



### **Missouri Guard forming new unit**

**The Missouri Air National Guard has openings for officers and enlisted. They are looking for prior service people from all branches of the military. Active-duty Air Force people preparing to leave the service, but would like to continue with the benefits of serving their country, can call 314-260-8613 or DSN 490-8613.**



Photo by Airman 1st Class James May III

### **Airman's Attic**

**Senior Master Sgt. Todd Lane, 99th Communications Squadron, assists Senior Master Sgt. Greg Bouman, 99th Civil Engineer Squadron, in moving a couch at the Airman's Attic. The new furniture was donated from a local business to help Nellis airmen. For more information on the Airman's Attic, call 652-3327.**





# Watch out for loan scams

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker  
*Air Force Print News*

WASHINGTON — Air Force members recently have become the targets of money lending scams operating out of Canada, according to Federal Trade Commission officials.

These scams, in the form of classified ads in military newspapers, advertise guaranteed loans, regardless of income or credit history, and charge a significant up-front fee before the loan can be processed — a practice which is illegal, according to Ms. Donna Miles, Office of Consumer and Business Education.

Legitimate lenders don't require up-front payments before extending credit and they don't promise loans in their ads, Ms. Miles said.

People who do respond to the toll-free number in these ads are instructed to send a money order along with their loan application, she said.

"Most of these (people) don't realize they are calling and writing to Canada," she said. "The scam artists use toll-free numbers and typically have their mail routed through one or more U.S.-based mail drops."

These "loan agents" have no loans to offer, Miles said. They cash the money orders they receive and destroy the paperwork or use it to further the scam.

"In some cases, (the scam artists) use the information to commit identity theft," she warns. They access the person's credit cards or open accounts in their names without the

consumer's permission or knowledge by using the information included as part of the loan application such as Social Security number, date of birth, and other personal data.

The Federal Trade Commission cautions consumers to be aware of certain slogans that often identify a deceptive ad.

These slogans include:  
— Credit problems? No problem  
— No credit? No income? No problem  
— \$100 to \$10,000 with just your signature  
— Loans guaranteed regardless of poor credit history or low income

Air Force members are also reminded that if the offer, promotion, payoff or benefit sounds too good to be true, then it most likely is, officials said.

## TDY entitlement changes

- **As of Oct. 1, government per diem rate (all meals provided) changed from \$7.50 per day to \$8 per day.**
- **Effective Jan. 01, 2001, travelers TDY more than 7 nights can claim up to \$2 per day for laundry.**
- **Civilians may use whatever mode of transportation they choose, limited in cost to that of the directed mode of transportation.**

## Congratulations 5K winners

Congratulations to the following winners of the Physical Therapy 5K Fun Run sponsored by the 99th Medical Group's Physical Therapy Department and the Nellis Sports and Fitness Center. The run was held Oct. 31.

### ***Fun Run winners:***

**Vikram Sachan**  
99th Services Squadron

**Terrel Potts**  
57th Equipment Maintenance Squadron

**George Velasco**  
99th Civil Engineer Squadron



# Nellis seeks career assistance advisor

By Chief Master Sgt. Michael Fusco  
99th Air Base Wing

Are you interested in making a difference in the Air Force of today and tomorrow? Do you want a challenge that can have far-reaching impact and long-lasting effects?

Nellis is fortunate to receive a second career assistance advisor. This is great news and will improve the coverage of the CAA's areas of responsibility.

The retention challenges facing the Air Force are a difficult fight, but we as a team can claim victory. This battle is why the Air Force implemented the CAA.

Nellis is looking for a highly motivated and experienced senior NCO to fight the battle at Nellis. Responsibilities of the job will include advising officers and airmen on enlisted retention activities and programs. By conducting interviews to determine individual career intentions, you provide

information and guidance on career decisions to our people.

Additionally, whoever is selected, will be responsible for providing retention feedback to all commanders and enlisted leaders to assist them in developing career information and programs to help improve reenlistment rates. As a Nellis CAA, you develop publicity programs, direct promotional projects and work with Air Reserve component counterparts and recruiters to advertise benefits and opportunities of Reserve and Guard duty.

Further duties include preparing and distributing publicity to airmen contemplating a career decision, and writing and editing news stories and advertisements celebrating the Air Force experience and history.

With two CAAs on base, a successful candidate must have the spirit of cooperation. You work in tandem with Senior Master Sgt. Walter Lipscomb, the current CAA.

Eligible candidates must be volunteers, have

current commander recommendation, have 24 months retainability, and be a master sergeant or higher in any Air Force specialty code except those skills listed on the chronic critical skill listing.

People serving in SRB skills who possess an assignment limitation code "O" must be within 24 months of its expiration. You must also have a minimal ASVAB general score of 45.

Interested volunteers must submit a letter of recommendation from their commander and a statement listing their motivations and qualifications to Chief Master Sgt. Michael Fusco, 99th Air Base Wing command chief master sergeant, by Nov. 30.

The person selected receives a special duty identifier. Additionally, he or she must be able to attend training at the earliest opportunity, but not later than six months from date assigned.

For more information, call Chief Master Sgt. Ike Moore at 652-2509 or Chief Master Sgt. Mike Fusco at 652-9982.





# World Planning Day



**Left, community planner Mr. Joe Hart asks Lomie Heard Elementary School children what they want for a better community. The children spent the day learning how to plan a community from the ground up. Below, Kyle Smith works on a drawing of the ideal interstate. Right, 8-year-old Cameron Jackson and Ms. Paddy Spilsbury look at 8-year-old Richard Leyh's new version of the Spaghetti bowl.**





# Warrior of the Week

Senior Airman Amanda Deutch



**Unit:** 99th Civil Engineer Squadron

**Duty Title:** Unit orderly room NCOIC

**Hometown:** Stafford, Va.

**Time in Air Force:** 6 years and 2 months

**Time at Nellis:** 1 year and 1 month

**Hobbies:** Reading and photography

**If I could change one thing about Nellis?** Develop more programs for singles

**What's my favorite Air Force memory?** At my last base, I went on a 10-day incentive flight overseas.



Photo by Airman 1st Class James May III



## Nellis Talent Show

**Come out and enjoy the base talent show today at 7 p.m. in the base theater. Singers, dancers, musicians and more will perform. The talent show is free, so bring family and friends for a night of entertainment. Of the 16 acts competing in the base talent show, five will go on to compete for a chance to join Tops in Blue. For more information, call Ms. Rosie Ward at 652-9307.**





# Nellis food locker accepts donations

The American Red Cross food locker is for use by service members, authorized family members and retirees. The food locker is intended for emergency assistance and not for use as a food bank, so it is recommended that use of the food locker be limited to three times per calendar year per family. Use of the food locker is completely confidential.

Purchase items in small sizes, since the majority of families using the food locker consist of four or fewer people.

The Food Locker is unable to accept perishables, expired, dented or opened products.

The food locker is located in Bldg. 625, the old hospital. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. For more information, call the Red Cross office at 652-2106.

***The food locker needs:***

- \* Paper products: facial tissues
- \* Toiletries: bath soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, feminine products
- \* Dry milk (Sanalac has individual packets)
- \* Condiments: ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, relish or pickles, small salt and pepper, syrup, cooking oil (small size), sugar (individual packets)
- \* Aluminum foil, plastic wrap, food storage bags
- \* Canned meat: meatballs, chicken, beef, ham, tuna
- \* Juices (not refrigerated or frozen)
- \* Jams and jellies
- \* Crackers, peanut butter, popcorn, cookies (individual packets preferred)
- \* Small boxes of raisins, cake icing, baby food, canned pasta
- \* Tuna, Chicken and Hamburger Helper
- \* Coffee (singles)
- \* Coffee creamer

***Editor's note: Information provided by Red Cross.***

## Attend Red Cross disaster training

Disaster work is one of the American Red Cross' most visible services. The course, Introduction to Disaster Services, is offered here to give people a chance to find out about this program. It is also the first step in becoming a Red Cross disaster volunteer. Call the Nellis Red Cross office at 652-2106 for more information or to register for the class.

*Birth announcement*

**Oct. 28**  
**Joshua Tyler, 10 lbs., son of**  
**Stephanie and Staff Sgt. Ron**  
**Eckman U.S. Air Force Air**  
**Demonstration Squadron.**





## Holiday hours

**99th Services Squadron holiday hours for Wednesday through Nov. 25 are:**

**These 99th Services Squadron facilities change hours on Wednesday:**

**Bowling Center** - 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Boys & Girls Club** - 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Child Development Centers** - 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. (By appointment only.)

**All 99th Services Squadron facilities close on Thanksgiving Day except:**

**Dining facilities:**

**Mountain View Inn** - 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. to midnight

**Red Horse Inn** - 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Golf Course** - 7:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., tee times and 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., clubhouse

**Officers' Club** - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Sports and Fitness Center:** 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Time Out Sports Bar & Grill** - 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**These 99th Services Squadron facilities have a change of hours on Nov. 24:**

**Bowling Center** - 1 p.m. to 1 a.m.

**Boys & Girls Club** - 1 p.m. to 10 p.m.

**Child Development Center** - 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. (By appointment only.)

**Dining facilities:**

**Mountain View Inn** - 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. to midnight

**Red Horse Inn** - 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Enlisted Club** - Closed except for All Nighter 10 p.m. to 4 a.m.

**Library** - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Sports and Fitness Center** - 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**These 99th Services Squadron facilities close Nov 24:**

Crosswinds Inn, Family Child Care Office, In-Flight Kitchen, Officers' Club and Outdoor Recreation/Equipment Rental.

**Bowling Center** hours for Nov. 25 are 1 p.m. to 1 a.m.

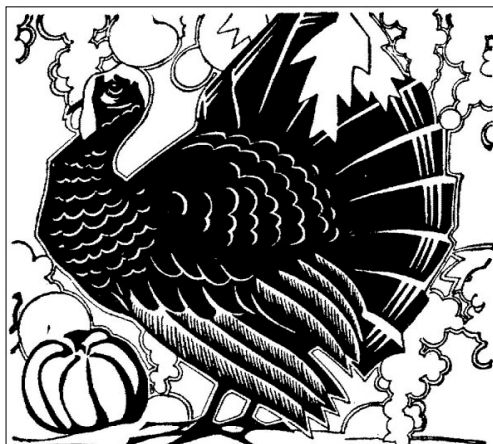


Photo by Airman 1st Class James May III

## Be a hero

**Tech. Sgt. Jack Hammon and son, Derrick Hammon, go over ball handling techniques at the bowling center. Sgt. Hammon is winner of the Be a Hero weekly drawing. To join in the fun, just ask for a Be a Hero card at the following Services facilities: Nellis Boys & Girls Club, Child Development Centers I & II, Library, Community Center, Enlisted and Officers' Clubs, Bowling Center, Golf Course, Outdoor Recreation and Skills Development Center.**



# 57th CRS repairs tanks

By Master Sgt. Robert Jarvis  
and Master Sgt. George Mayfield  
57th Component Repair Squadron

The smell of fuel permeates the building, getting into the clothes and hair of the 24 people assigned to the 57th Component Repair Squadron's Fuel Systems Repair section.

Coordinating and directing field-level fuel systems maintenance repairs on the more than 100 aircraft assigned to the 57th Wing, including F-16s, F-15s, A-10s and HH-60 helicopters is the primary task of the fuels systems section. The unit is also responsible for maintenance on 200 external fuel tanks used on various aircraft.

"All aircraft fuel systems are configured differently," said Tech. Sgt. Kevin Killimett, 57th CRS. "For example, the fuel system on cargo or heavy aircraft is usually located in the wings. On small, fixed-wing fighter aircraft such as the F-16, the fuel tanks are located in the wings and fuselage to save space and extend range."

Another example is the F-16. Even though it is relatively small, it holds approximately 7,000 pounds of JP-8 fuel. Seven fuel tanks, encompassing a majority of the airframe, make up its internal fuel system.

Aircraft fuels systems mechanics' jobs can also include working in close quarters inside a fuel tank. When necessary, they don special equipment, including coveralls and a full-face, air-line-supplied respirator. "It is definitely not a job for those with claustrophobia," said Sgt. Killimett.

Before a maintainer can enter a fuel tank, the aircraft needs to be defueled, drained and positioned in an area approved for open fuel systems maintenance because of the possible explosive hazard. The fuel tank is opened and it is ventilated with forced air.

"This lowers the fuel fumes in the tank. The tank is then measured with a special analyzer to ensure fumes are at a safe level," said Sgt. Killimett. "All open fuel tank maintenance is performed with the utmost of safety. A three-man concept is mandated

anytime open fuel tank maintenance is performed."

For each person entering a fuel tank, another must act as a fire guard at the opening to the tank. This is in case the person inside needs tools or becomes incapacitated. The third person acts as an equipment monitor and runner. This person would sound the alarm in case of an emergency.

The Fuels Systems section also makes up the 57th Hydrazine Emergency Response Team for the F-16 aircraft here at Nellis.

Unlike other aircraft that use a system of pulleys and cables to operate the flight controls, the F-16's flight controls move by electrical impulses. During an emergency such as loss of electrical power, hydraulics or an engine malfunction, the pilot could lose command of flight controls.

According to Sgt. Killimett, the emergency power unit, which uses hydrazine, is automatically activated to provide power and limited flight control to either land the aircraft, or maneuver it to a safe area in the event the pilot has to egress.

Sgt. Killimett said, "If a leak or system anomaly occurs involving the hydrazine system, the Hydrazine Response Team responds dressed in fully encapsulated suits, with portable breathing apparatus to contain the hazard and prevent exposure to the aircrew and environment. The team also responds anywhere necessary to contain and recover the hydrazine fuel." Hydrazine is extremely hazardous to humans and the environment. Because of this, the team receives hazardous duty incentive pay.

Nellis' diverse flying mission is also a challenge for the fuels systems shop. Each of the airframes at Nellis is unique and it takes time to become an expert on the associated fuel system.

"There is a multitude of special test equipment and consumables for each airframe assigned here," said Sgt. Killimett. "Also, a good percentage of the people assigned to the shop have no previous experience on fighter aircraft. They may be new recruits or may have

come from cargo or bomber units. They have to attend additional training courses and be given time to become familiar with the different systems. Another challenge the shop faces is supporting units deployed here for Red Flag and other special missions."

All in all, each day is unique and fluid in the life of a fuel shopper.



Photo by Airman 1st Class James May III

**Left, Senior Airman Josh Vanassche and Airman 1st Class Jermaine Kimdred respond to a mock hydrazine leak.**



## Nellis News

### **Airman's Attic**

The Airman's Attic needs beds from single to queen size, furniture and household items. Drop donations off on the south side of the Attic anytime. For more information or pick up of items, call Senior Master Sgt. Ellen Reynolds at 652-3327.

### **"Who's Your Hero" contest**

Children are encouraged to write in 100 words or less why they view their parent as a hero. One entry is selected weekly command-wide. Winners receive \$100 in on-line shopping for their hero. Go to [www.servicity.com](http://www.servicity.com) to enter. Contest ends Dec. 8. AT&T and Servicity are sponsors of this program.

### **Closure**

99th Comptroller Squadron closes 1 p.m. Tuesday for a training function. Normal hours resume Nov. 22. For more information, call 652-2595.

### **Turkey trot**

The Fitness Center hosts a 5K run Tuesday. Winners receive a turkey. The event takes place in front of the center at 7:30 a.m. Deadline to sign up is Monday. For more information, call 652-6433.

### **Thanksgiving dinner**

All ranks and their families are invited to the Officers' Club to enjoy Thanksgiving dinner Thursday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Menu consists of roast turkey, baked ham with rum raisin sauce, green beans almonidine, fresh mashed potatoes and gravy, baked candied yams,

pumpkin pie, pecan pie and much more. Cost is \$12.95 for club members and their guests, \$6.95 for children ages 5 to 12, and \$15.95 for eligible nonmembers. Call 644-2582 to make reservations.

### **Thrift Shop**

Clean out those closets and make some extra money. Bring items and a valid I.D. to the Thrift Shop Tuesdays, Thursdays and the first Saturday of the month 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to consign items. Checks for consignments are mailed to the home address. The shop is open until 2 p.m. for sales. For those who have a little extra time on their hands, the Thrift Shop needs volunteers. For more information, call the Thrift Shop at 644-3777.

### **Crosswinds closure**

Crosswinds Dining Facility temporarily closes for the holiday season after the lunch meal Wednesday. It re-opens for lunch Jan. 2. For more information, call the Food Service Staff office at 652-7255.

### **Child care holiday hours**

A skeleton crew will provide child care services in Child Development Center II to support school age, CDC I and CDC II children whose parents must work during the holiday. Wednesday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Nov. 24, 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Reservations are required two duty days in advance with a \$10 deposit. For more information, call 652-5885.

### **Scouting for food**

Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts across the country take part in this

food drive. Use the plastic bags in the Bullseye distributed to family housing to place donations. Scouts are scheduled to collect donations Saturday. All food items go directly to the Nellis Red Cross Food Bank to support Nellis families.

### **Palace Chase briefing**

The next Palace Chase Air Force Reserve briefings are at 2 p.m. Dec. 13 and 27 in Bldg. 20 room 202. For more information, call Customer Service at 652-9073.

### **Palace Front briefing**

The next Palace Front Air Force Reserve briefings are 1 p.m. Dec. 7 and 21 in Bldg. 20, room 319. For more information, call 652-4806 or 652-9423.

### **Family Appreciation week**

Come see a movie Friday, Nov. 24 at 7 p.m. by signing up today. Free popcorn will be served. Receive a "Be a Hero" stamp for participating. For more information, call the Boys & Girls Club at 652-9307.

### **Swap Meet**

The Nellis Boys & Girls Club sponsors a monthly swap meet Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Community Center Dock. You may reserve a table at the next meet on Dec. 2 for \$15. For more information, call the Boys & Girls Club at 652-9307.

### **Be a hero**

Families can win a drive-to vacation getaway just for spending time together using a services facility. The vacation getaway includes a 3-night, 4-day stay at one

of nearly 100 hotel properties. To participate, pick up a Hero card at services facilities. Only five stamps are needed to enter in the weekly drawing. Bonus stamps may be earned by using the [www.servicity.com](http://www.servicity.com) web site. For more information, call 652-5655.

### **Parents' Night/Day Out**

The Nellis Boys & Girls Club and the Child Development Center have teamed up to give parents a break. Parents' Night Out is Dec. 2 from 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. Reserve by Nov. 29. Parents' Day Out is Dec. 16 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Reserve by Dec. 13. Children ages 6 and over can stay at the Boys & Girls Club for \$10. Those under 6 can stay at the Child Development Center. For ages 3 and over, the cost is \$3.50 an hour and under 3 is \$4 an hour. For information or to reserve a spot, call the Boys & Girls Club at 652-9307.

### **Holiday sports tournament**

Nellis Sports and Fitness center hosts a holiday sports tournament today from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Primary participants are senior airmen and below that live in the dorm, but all squadron members are encouraged to participate. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Keisha Piper or Airman 1st Class Jamal Cottrell at 652-1632.

### **Thrift Shop closing**

The Thrift Shop closes Tuesday and Thanksgiving Day. It will resume normal hours Nov. 28. The Thrift Shop is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 644-3777.





# Photo and art contest winners

## Photography

### **Creative effects:**

1st Place, Ms. Renee Ekman  
2nd Place, Ms. Renee Ekman

### **Youth**

1st Place, Jessica Ekman,  
age 7

### **Military life:**

1st Place, Staff Sgt. Molly Gilliam  
99th Communications Squadron

2nd Place, Staff Sgt. Molly  
Gilliam

### **Youth**

1st Place, Jessica Ekman

### **Nature and scenic:**

1st Place, Ms. Renee Ekman

1st Place, Ms. Mary Wash-  
ington

2nd Place, Ms. Cindy Anderson

### **Youth**

1st Place, Jessica Ekman

2nd Place, Jessica Ekman

### **People:**

1st Place, Ms. Cindy Anderson

1st Place, Ms. Inge White

2nd Place, Airman 1st Class  
Ashley Sorrels, 99th Communi-  
cations Squadron

### **Youth**

1st Place, Jessica Ekman

2nd Place, Jessica Ekman



Photo by Airman 1st Class James May III

**Jessica Eckman looks at one of her many first place awards at the Skills Development Center.**

## Art

### **Artist/craftsman multi- casts/pattern art:**

1st Place, Maj. Theresa Tillock, 99th  
Medical Group

2nd Place, Airman 1st Class  
Mathew Kurian, 99th Supply  
Squadron

### **Youth**

1st Place, Rosemarie Taylor, age  
11

2nd Place, Beth Taylor, age 12

### **Fine art:**

1st Place, Ms. Katherine Johnson  
2nd Place, Staff Sgt. Christopher  
Longoria

### **Youth**

1st Place, Jennifer Taylor, age 15

2nd Place, Beth Taylor, age 12

### **Industrial art:**

1st Place, Airman 1st Class  
Mathew Kurian

2nd Place, Airman 1st Class  
Mathew Kurian



# Tickets & Tours offers ski pass discounts

Get ready to strap on your skis and head for the slopes! Skiing at Brian Head, Utah, is closer than you think.

Brian Head Resort is located in the red rock country of southwestern Utah, close to Cedar Breaks, Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks. Boasting Utah's highest base elevation at 9,600 ft., it is less than three hours from Las Vegas.

Brian Head offers the most aggressive terrain park programs in Utah for both skiers and snowboarders. Expect multiple terrain parks that cater to the novice park rider all the way up to the experts.

Ski and snowboard coaching sessions using the newest ski technology, the very latest in performance

snowboards, friendly coaches and the best learning terrain are available. Skiers are skiing from the top of chair six on the first day.

Discounted Brian Head passes are available at Tickets & Tours for \$32, a \$6 savings. Brand new Vertical Club passes for \$45 offer two FREE lift tickets usable until Dec. 20. A free lift ticket from ITT is given for every 11th day skiing or snowboarding and 10-percent savings every day at resort retail shops, rental departments, demo center and lodge eateries. For more information, call ITT at 652-2192.

**Editor's note: Information provided by Tickets & Tours**



File photo

**Snowboarding is one of the most popular activities at Brian Head Resort, Utah, a three-hour drive from Nellis.**





# Nellis Living

**Editor's note:** Bullseye submissions are due by noon the Friday prior to publication.

**Base Theater**  
**652-5020**

## Show times

Unless otherwise indicated, all show times are 7 p.m. with Saturday matinees at 1 p.m. To subscribe to the e-mail mailing list, send your requests to [angellm@lvcn.com](mailto:angellm@lvcn.com).

**Saturday,**  
**Sunday, Monday**  
**Remember the**  
**Titans (PG)**  
*Denzel Washington,*  
*Will Patton*

*\*\*Saturday evening's show is free for Nellis community members in the ages of 18 to 35 and their families. The Chapel Young Adult Ministry is sponsoring this event. The ministry holds meetings Tuesdays at 6 p.m.*

**Nov. 24**  
**Get Carter (R)**  
*Sylvester Stallone,*  
*Miranda Richardson*

\*\*\*\*\*  
**\*\* The Theater closes**  
**today for the Talent**  
**Show.**  
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**Chapel**  
**652-2950**

## Weekly schedule:

### Catholic worship

**Mass:** Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m.  
**Saturday:** Reconciliation, 4 p.m.; Mass, 5 p.m.  
**Sunday:** Mass, 9:45 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Thanksgiving service, 5 p.m.

**Protestant worship**  
**Sunday:** Gospel service, 8 a.m. Traditional service, 11:15 a.m.

## Classes/Activities

**Religious Education**  
**Catholic Religious Education classes** for ages 3 through 12th grade are Sundays from 8:20 to 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. For more information, call 652-5953.

**RCIA**, for any adult interested in becoming a Catholic, is Sundays at 1:45 p.m. in the Chapel Annex. For more information, call 651-6587.

**Protestant Religious Education classes** (18 months to adult) are Sundays from 9:35 to 10:50 a.m. For more information, call 652-7950.

**Young Adult Ministry** (formerly Singles) meets 6 to 7:15 p.m., Tuesdays in the Chapel Annex. New study begins Dec. 5. For more information, call 644-6568.

**Men of the Chapel** meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel basement.

**Protestant Youth of the Chapel** meets Sundays at 1:30 p.m. in the Chapel basement.

**Widows in the Neighborhood** monthly activities include lunches, local tours and attending performances. For more information, call 459-1324 or 453-4858.

**Bible Study** is Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Annex. For more information, call 459-1324 or 453-4858.

**Christian Military Fellowship** joins Officers' Christian Fellowship in providing weekly bible studies to all ranks. To find one near you, call 656-8707.

**Education Office**  
**652-5280**

## Test taking

Study Skills and Test Taking Class schedules are available for the new fiscal year. Learn techniques on reading and remembering, studying for tests and test-taking tips.

**Family Support Center**  
**652-3327**

## Contest

The Family Support Center sponsors a base-wide slogan contest. The winner receives \$100. Pick up entry forms at the FSC front desk. Only one slogan submission per individual. Only Nellis employees, active-duty members and their families may enter the contest. Deadline for entries is today.

## Ready, set, grow

Class is Monday, 10 to 11 a.m. for parents of children between the ages of 3 and 36 months. Join with other parents to reinforce parenting skills and learn new ones.

## Couples seminar

What planet are you from? Come to this continuing video presentation series to learn how to improve communication skills and enjoy a happy relationship. Sessions are Tuesday, Nov. 28, Dec. 5 and 12, 6 to 8 p.m.

**HAWC**  
**653-3376**

## Massage therapy

Massage therapy has many health benefits. It is a stress management tool, can reduce blood pressure and increase circulation. The holidays are rapidly

approaching. Give a gift certificate for a massage. HAWC offers full body massage and back rub therapy by a nationally certified therapist. Appointments are available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Prices are 15 minutes for \$15; 30 minutes for \$25; 60 minutes for \$45; and 90 minutes for \$60. To schedule appointments, call 653-3375/3376.

## Cholesterol

Do you know your cholesterol level? A level above 200 can indicate a risk for heart disease. Take the time to see if you are at risk for the health conditions associated with high cholesterol. For more information, call the HAWC.

**Skills Development Center**  
**652-2849**

## Scrapbooking

*Sentiments Gift Album Workshop* is Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$30 for each person and supplies are included. Bring 20 to 30 photos to place. *Be a Hero Workshop* is Nov. 25, 10 a.m. to noon for ages 10 and up, and adults. Cost is \$6 for each person and includes all materials. Bring six to eight photos. Earn a "Be a Hero Stamp" by attending. *Scrapbooking Workshop* is Wednesdays, 9 to 11 a.m. Cost is \$6 to \$13 depending on material used. Bring six to 10 photos. Registration is required for all classes.

## Holiday ceramics

Adults create a shelf-sitting angel Saturday at 1 p.m. for \$15 and Christmas villages Nov. 25 at 1 p.m. for \$35. All ages can join in on a family activity to make a Santa with reindeer Dec. 9 at 1 p.m. Cost is \$15 per ceramic piece. Registration is required one week in advance.

**Outdoor Recreation**  
**652-8967**

## Valley of Fire tour

Depart Outdoor Recreation at 8 a.m. Dec. 2 to visit Valley of Fire State Park and the Lost City Museum in Overton, Nev. Cost is \$10 per person plus a \$2 museum entry fee. For more information or to sign up, call 652-8967.

**Nellis Boys & Girls Club**  
**652-9307**

## Fashion show party

The Nellis Boys & Girls Club is having a Fashion Show/Tea Party Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. The show presents clothing from the Base Exchange in casual, sports and after-five apparel. This free event is at the Community Center Dock and refreshments are provided. For more information, call Ms. Sherry Franklin at 652-9307.

**Tickets & Tours**  
**652-9307**

## Disneyland trip

See holiday lights in all their "Disney-fied" glory Dec. 9. Bus leaves at 4 a.m. from Nellis and re-boards from the park at 8 p.m. Fee is \$70 per adult and \$65 per child ages 3 to 11. Sign up by Nov. 29 or for more information, call 652-2192.

**Veterinary Office**  
**652-2230**

## Vaccination clinic

The veterinary office is running a pre-holiday vaccination clinic for dogs and cats Dec. 2 from 8 a.m. to noon. For an appointment, call 652-2230.